CERTIFICATE

WE certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (61)21 were cast as set out above, that the proposal set out in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 632.

N. D. RILEY

Secretary

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International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

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COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES FOR XENOSTEGIUM WALCOTT, 1924. Z.N.(S.) 914

(see volume 18, pages 332-333)

By Alan B. Shaw (Pan American Petroleum Corporation, Tulsa 2, Oklahoma, U.S.A.)

I have received an off-print of the proposal by R. J. Ross, Jr., to designate Megalaspis belemnurus White, 1874, as the type-species of Xenostegium Walcott, 1924. Inasmuch as the proposals made by Dr. Ross would result in official recognition of current practice and promote nomenclatorial stability, I wish to recommend that the Commission act favourably on the three requests in Dr. Ross's proposal.

By H. B. Whittington (Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A.)

I am glad to see this proposal which was foreshadowed in the *Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology*: 0 353, in print. I write to express my approval of, and support for, this proposal.

By J. T. Temple (Birkbeck College, London)

I am writing to support the application of R. J. Ross to designate *Megalaspis belemnurus* White, 1874, as type-species of *Xenostegium* Walcott, 1924. I consider that this action will be in the best interests of nomenclatorial stability.